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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Tuesday, November 28, 2017 Issued: 0800 CT

National Weather Service

Day 1 Weather Impacts: Elevated fire weather risk SE NM/W TX and in AR.

Southern Region Headquarters Regional Operations Center Fort Worth, TX



Key Points



Today

Elevated fire weather risk in SE NM/W TX and in AR

Wednesday - Saturday

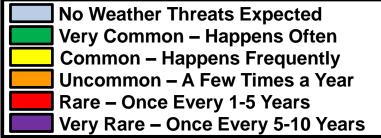
No significant weather impacts are expected.

Tropical Outlook

No new tropical cyclones are expected during the next five days.

FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix Nov 28, 2017 through Dec 2, 2017

	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Severe Weather					
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding					
Fire Weather	SE NM/W TX AR				
Winter					
River Flooding					



For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.



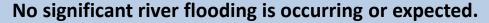
Tropical Weather Outlook

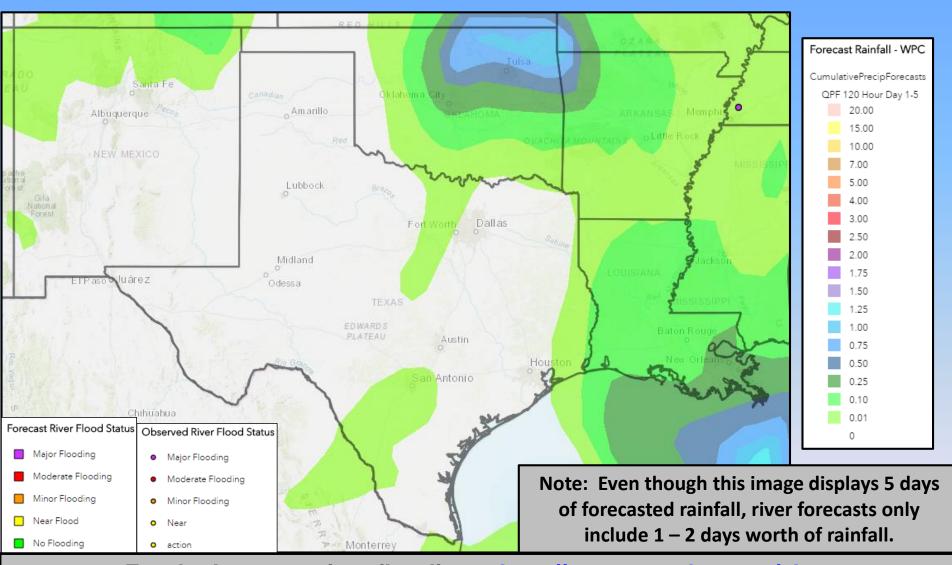


Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: ○ Depression ∮ Storm ∮ Hurricane ⊗ Post-Tropical Cyclone × Remnants No new tropical cyclones are expected during the next five days.



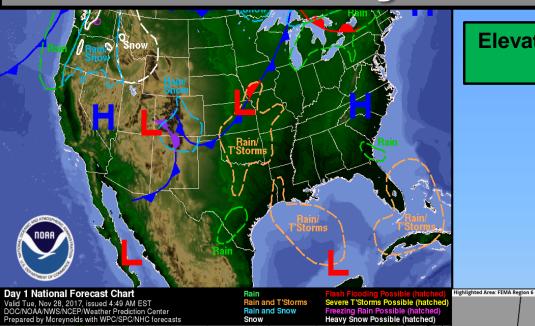
5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status



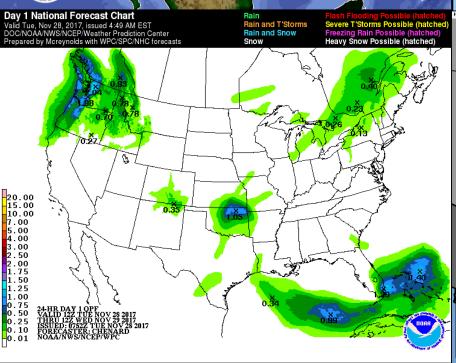


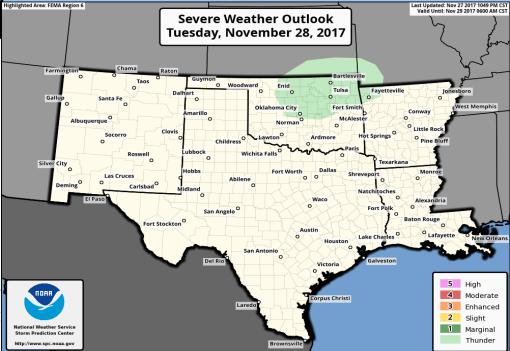
For the latest on river flooding: http://water.weather.gov/ahps

Today's Weather

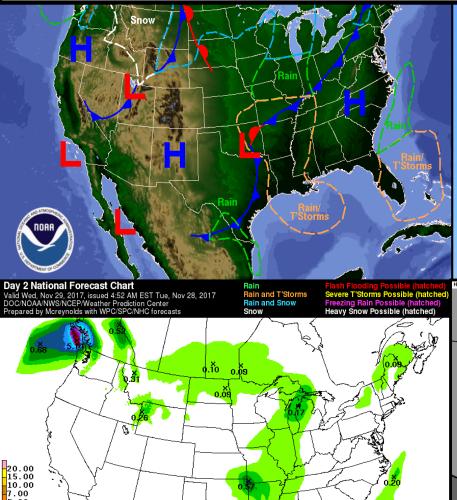


Elevated fire weather risk in SE NM/W TX and in AR.



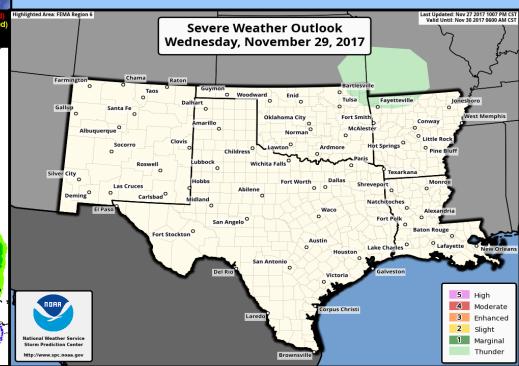


Tomorrow's Weather

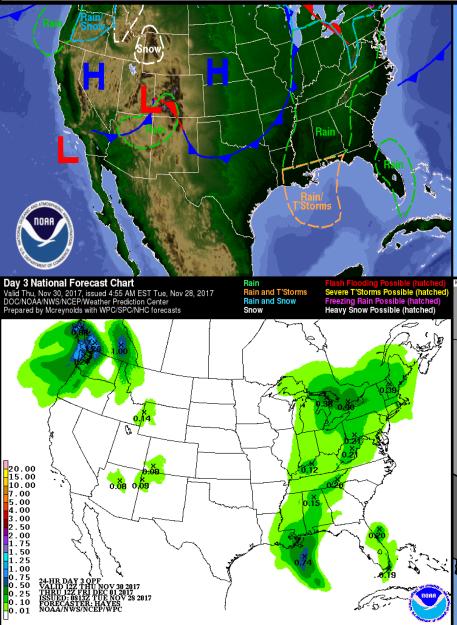


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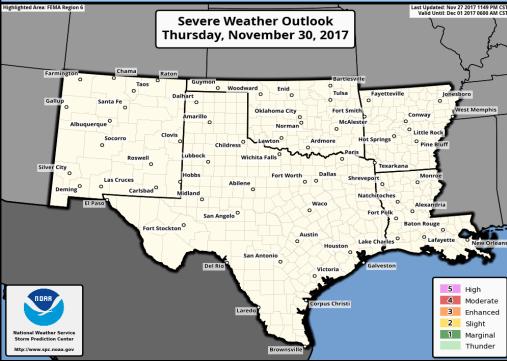
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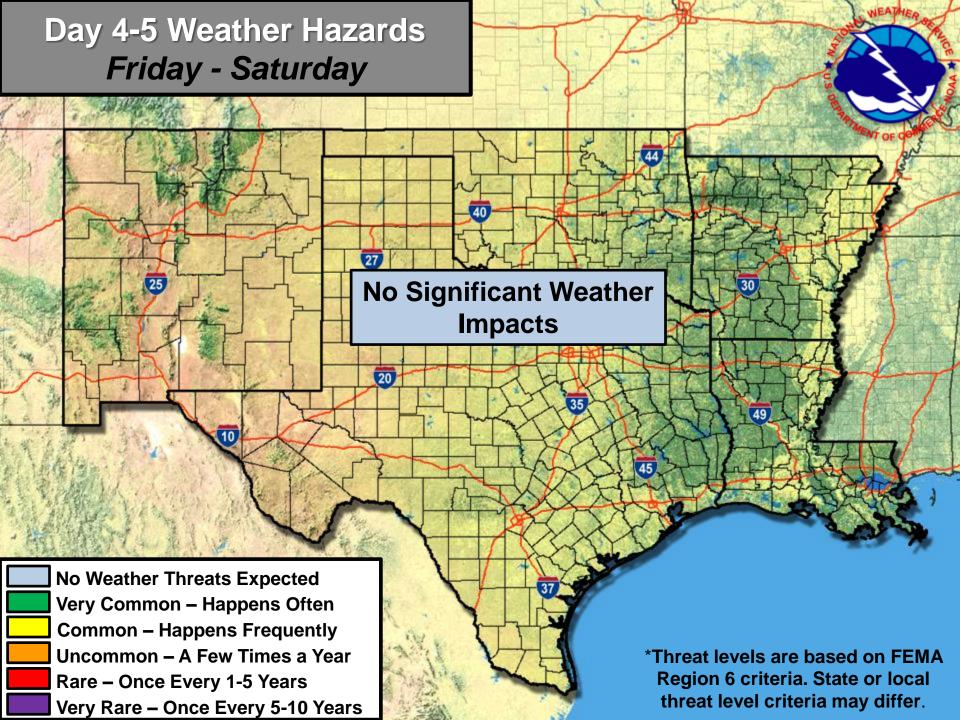


Thursday's Weather



No significant weather is expected.

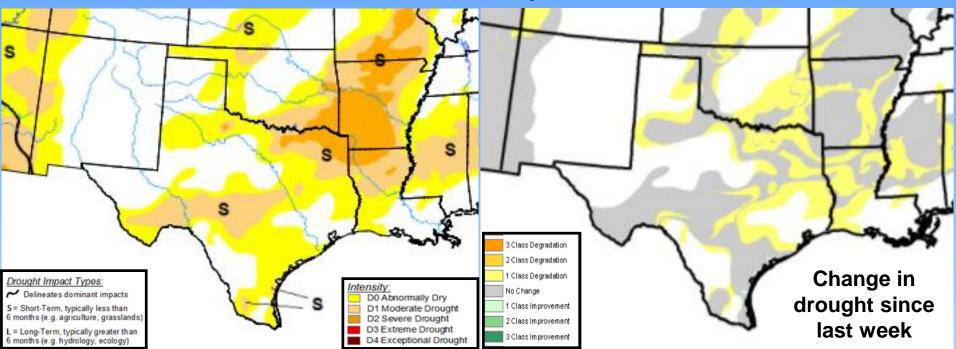






Drought Monitor Released November 22, 2017

Data valid as of 6am CST, Tuesday, November 21, 2017



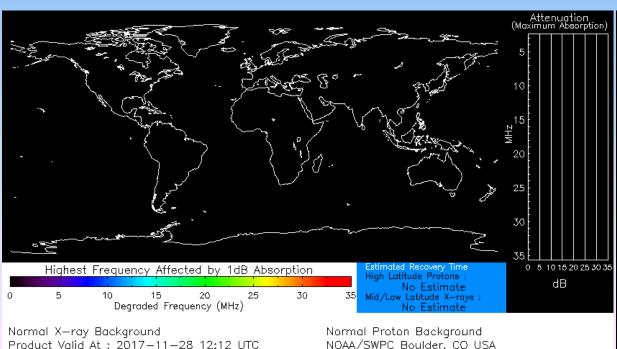
Drought Conditions (Percent Area) in D3-D4 (Extreme to Exceptional Drought)					
State	Current	Last Week	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago	
Oklahoma	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.48%	
Arkansas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.64%	
Texas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.09%	
Louisiana	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.79%	
New Mexico	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	

Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

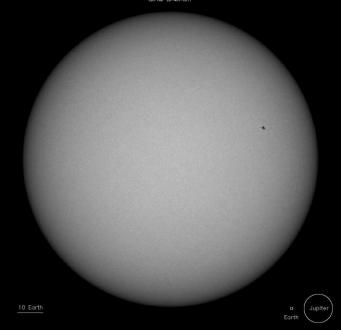
	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet to Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Minor (G1) Storm (Max Kp = 5)	Unsettled to Active (Max Kp = 4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%

Click here for a **Description of the Space Weather Storm Scales**

Click here for the **Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast Text**



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	Weather "Threat" Matrix					
Color	Definition	Criteria	Example(s)			
Green	Very Common Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines	Severe: Marginal Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over localized areas Tropical: None Fire Weather: No Watches/Warnings, fuel moisture above 10% or green up active	Thunderstorms expected over LA this afternoon; a few may produce winds to knock down a few trees Something that happens almost every day in a particular season such as seabreeze storms in coastal TX			
Yellow	Somewhat Common — Happens Frequently Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life	Severe: Slight Risk from SPC Flooding: Nuisance flooded expected for a widespread area, or Minor flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A weak tropical wave expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire Weather: Red Flag Watches/Warnings and/or SPC outlines enhanced or critical fire outlook	 2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some minor (brief) street flooding possible Scattered severe storms possible, one or two tornadoes expected, along with reports of strong winds/wind damage and ~1" hail 			
Orange	Uncommon — A Few Times a Year Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: Enhanced Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations), or Moderate flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A Tropical Storm expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Critical fire outlook for more than 2 consecutive days, Warnings for 2 or more consecutive days, D3-D4 drought conditions	A snow/sleet mix is expected to move through or near the DFW area tomorrow morning; travel impacts likely Numerous severe storms possible, a few tornadoes possible along with several reports of wind damage along with damaging hail Some large fires reported, burn bans advertised, critical conditions expected			
Red	Rare – Once every 1-5 Years Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: Moderate Risk from SPC Flooding: Moderate flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Hurricane expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large areas of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Severe to extreme drought	A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few days Widespread severe storms likely, strong tornadoes, widespread wind damage, and destructive hail Large fires ongoing throughout the area with critical fire weather conditions expected to continue			
Purple	Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years Safety: Property Damage Unavoidable, Immediate Action to Save Life will be Needed Impact Potential: Typically Results in Long-Lived Widespread Major Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: High Risk from SPC Flooding: Major flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Major Hurricane (Cat3 or greater) expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large area of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Long term (months) of severe to extreme drought	A Category 4 hurricane is headed towards the SE LA; major storm surge, flooding and damaging winds anticipated to begin tomorrow Widespread severe storms expected, tornado outbreak probable with long-lived, very widespread and particularly intense storms			